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Hon. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Suite TW-A325 Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Comments of the New York State Department of Public Service in the Matter of

Petition of the Verizon Telephone Companies for Forbearance under 47 U.S.C. §

160(c) from Title II and Computer Inquiry Rules with Respect to Their

Broadband Services; WC Docket No. 04-440

Dear Secretary Dortch:

Enclosed please find the comments of the New York State Department of Public Service in response to the Commission's Public Notice issued on December 23, 2004 in the above-referenced proceeding.

Should you have any questions concerning this filing, please call me at (518) 474-7687.

Very truly yours,

John C. Graham Assistant Counsel

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